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SUBJ: SYRIAN-ISRAEL CONFRONTATION

1. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION APRIL 7, MOST OF WHICH REPORTED SEPARATELY, FONMIN BENHIMA SAID MOROCCANS FOLLOWING WITH CONCERN DIFFICULT SITUATION ALONG SYRIAN-ISRAEL BORDER. HE ASKED WHETHER THERE WAS ANYTHING MOROCCANS COULD DO TO HELP, AND WHETHER WE HAD ANY ADVICE FOR THEM IN THIS RESPECT.

2. I SAID I DID NOT KNOW BUT WOULD REPORT HIS OFFER TO WASHINGTON. MOROCCANS HAVE GOOD RELATIONS WITH SYRIANS AND I BELIEVE THEY SINCERELY INTERESTED IN HELPING. WE MAY NOT NEED INTERLOCUTORS AT MOMENT, BUT MOROCCANS COULD PLAY USEFUL ROLE IN ARGUING OUR POSITION WITH SYRIANS. SUGGEST THAT IF THERE POINTS WE TRYING TO REGISTER WITH LATTER, SECRETARY MAKE THEM TO BENHIMA DURING THEIR APRIL 14 MEETING.

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